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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q68133

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Appln. No.: 10/031,168

Group Art Unit: 1651

Confirmation No.: 4986

Examiner: Jon P Weber

Filed: April 26, 2002

For:

PROCESS FOR THE CONTINUOUS PRODUCTION OF DIPEPTIDE CRYSTALS IN A

MEMBRANE AND HYDRO-CYCLONE REACTOR USING A PEPTIDASE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of May 11, 2004 to November 11, 2004.

A check for the small entity statutory fee of \$490 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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